

## **FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

### **FOR PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL (SFM)**

### **REGARDING THE 2003 UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 5**

### **REGARDING OCCUPANCIES REGULATED BY SFM**

The Administrative Procedure Act requires that every agency shall maintain a file of each rulemaking that shall be deemed to be the record for that rulemaking proceeding. The rulemaking file shall include a final statement of reasons. The Final Statement of Reasons shall be available to the public upon request when rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following are the reasons for proposing this particular rulemaking action:

#### **UPDATES TO THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS:**

SFM finds that no revisions have been made which would necessitate a change to the initial statement of reasons for adoption of the 2003 Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) with existing amendments from the 2001 California Plumbing Code and new amendments as follows:

- Amend Section 505 for gas fired water heater approval requirements
- Amend Section 508 for water heater anchorage and relief valve drain clearances
- Make reference to provisions in the California Electrical Code for gas mixing machines and fuel gas piping sections in Section 1211
- Update NFPA references in Chapter 14, Mandatory Referenced Standards
- Make reference to provisions in the California Building Code for piping penetrations in Chapter 15.

#### **MANDATE ON LOCAL AGENCIES OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

SFM has determined that the proposed regulatory action would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts.

#### **OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION(S).**

SFM did not receive any objections or recommendations regarding the proposed regulations.

#### **DETERMINATION OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND EFFECT ON PRIVATE PERSONS**

SFM has determined that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation.

#### **REJECTED PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE THAT WOULD LESSEN THE ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES:**

There were no proposed alternatives. SFM has determined that the proposed regulations will have no adverse impact on small businesses.

#### **COMMENTS MADE BY THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

SFM received no comments from this office.

**COMMENTS MADE BY THE TRADE AND COMMERCE AGENCY**  
SFM received no comments from this agency.